Delay in releasing quota papers to the garment exporters

1621. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Apparel Export Promotion Council is not releasing the quota papers to the garment exporters even after sanctioning the same;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether Government propose to take any corrective steps in this regard; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Shortage of Staff in A.E.P.C.

1622. SHRI M. VINCENT: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the due to the shortage of staff in Apparel Export Promotion Council, it is not being able to accept the proof of shipments within the time-limit to the concerned garment exporters and thereby causing harassment to the exporters;

(b) what is the total number of staff in A.E.P.C. at present to handle the earnest money deposits of exporters; and

(c) what action Government propose to take in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES (SHRI RAM NIWAS MIRDHA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) 49 employees.

(c) Does not arise.

Prisoners lodged in different jails

1623. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA:

SHRIMATI SUDHA VIJAY JOSHI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total number of prisoners on date, lodged in different jails, Union Territory-wise;

(b) what is the number of prisoners held under preventive detention as on date;

(c) whether there are instances of prisoners being detained in prisons for periods exceeding the period of imprisonment prescribed for their alleged offences; and

(d) if so, what is their number, Union Territory-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) to (d) The requisite information on receipt from the various Union Territory Administrations shall be placed on the Table of the House.

Revival of Capital Market

1624. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have any composite policy for the revival of the capital market in the country; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) and (b) The development of the capital market is a continuous process. Some of the important steps taken by the Government in this regard are briefly indicated below:—

(i) The Budget for 1988-89 contains positive measures for long-term growth for capital market, which include:

(a) concession now available for direct investment in equity shares of new industrial undertakings will also